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PRIOR \$24 PER MONTH.

Arrivals.

May 31, FU-KEW, Chinese steamer, 908, A. O. S. N. Co., 27th May, General C. M. S. N. Co.
May 31, LONDON, British str., 1,726 E. M. Gilkes, Shanghai 29th May, Hulls and General, P. & O. S. N. Co.
May 31, YESSO, British steamer, 559, J. E. Purchas, Foochow 28th May, Amoy 29th and Swatow 30th, Tea and Trade Agents, D. LATHAM & Co.
May 31, MALACCA, British str., 1,050 E. M. Edmund Yokohama 24th May, General, P. & O. S. N. Co.
May 31, SALVADOR, Spanish str., 615, D. Bermingham, Takao 29th May, Sugar Remondos & Co.
May 31, NORTHERN GUINEA, British bark, 338, J. Brown, Saigon 15th May, Rice
Ore.
May 31, VENICE, German Frigate, 2,000, 16 guns, Commodore Count Monti, Honolulu 2nd April.
May 31, DEDALUS, British str., 1,630, R. J. Brown, Liverpool 13th April, Malta 22nd, Port Said 27th, Suez 30th, Aden 5th May, Penang 21st, and Singapore 23rd, General—BUTTERFIELD & SWINEY.

Clearances.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE,
May 31st.
Fleets, for Nowchawang.
Maharajah, str., for Bangkok.
Loctid, for Foochow.
Caroline Bank, str., for Toulon.
Candia, str., for Foochow.

Departures.

May 31, LULU, for Foochow.
May 31, NAMOA, str., for East Coast.
May 31, ANNA, for Manila.
May 31, CHARTER OAK, for New York.
May 31, BOMBAY, str., for Yokohama.
May 31, ASIA, str., for Saloum.
May 31, NIRO, str., for Canton.
May 31, MENZELAH, str., for Yokohama.

Passengers.
ARRIVED.
Per Lombardy, str., from Shanghai.—
For Hongkong.—Messrs. A. Shunck and A. Bernards, and 78 Chinese, for Venice.—Mr. and Mrs. B. B. and Mr. T. Thompson, for Southampton.—A few Chinese, for Penang.—Mr. Miller, str., from Yokohama.—
For Hongkong.—Messrs. S. E. Burrows and Poenacker, and 8 Chinese, deck, for Venice.—Messrs. A. Motte and G. Whitfield.—
Per Fuy-Yen, str., from Shanghai.—
130 Chinese.
Per Yesso, str., from East Coast.—
Captain H. C. M. M. Emmanuel, Taylor, T. H. and 100 Chinese, deck.—
Per Penang, str., from Liverpool, &c.—
Mr. Drury and 150 Chinese.

DEPARTED.
Per Teheran, str., for Shanghai.—
Messrs. Stell, R.N., and Harry Williams, Per Maharatjah, str., for Bangkok.—
20 Chinese.
Per Caroline Bank, for Toulon.—
6 Chinese.

Reports.

The Spanish steamer *Batan* reports left Manila on 26th May, and had fresh N.E. winds throughout.
The Spanish steamer *Sabedosa* reports left Takao on 29th May, and had variable winds and much rain.

The British bark *Northern Chief* reports left Saigon on 18th May, and Cape St. James on the 20th, and had light West and S.W. winds up till the 25th, in lat. 16° 10' S. and long. 116° E., the strong N.E. monsoon and heavy squalls to port.

The Chinese steamer *Fu-Keo* reports left Shanghai on 27th May, and had moderate breezes from the Southward until the morning of the 30th; then N.-westerly winds to arrival. Passed the steamer *China* on the 28th at 1 p.m., and a Chinese gunboat at 3 a.m. same day, both had 100 Chinese. On the 29th, 72p.m., passed the steamer *Chinchin*, bound North. Passed one of Holt's steamers at 5.30 same day, bound North. Passed a steamer, name unknown, off Breaker Point on the 30th, bound North.

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Majesty to my farewell. I am pretty sure there is no trouble between her and the Duke; she has borne him two children, he always seemed a good husband, no scandal has ever been heard of him. She is now married to Mr. S. C. Petropavlovsky. It is rumoured and not contradicted that she does not mean to return, and that she has purchased a palatial villa on the banks of the Neva. There is no doubt that Eastwell, their beautiful estate in Kent, is being dismantled and all the live stock sold. The inevitable conclusion is that it will soon be if it is not already in the market.

On the 1st of June, the Queen and the Duke left England for the coast, and the natural deductions to be made from them and the question arise how far they apply to the Queen's singular visit to the Continent and to the unpopular course adopted by Government with respect to the Royal Titles Bill. The Duke of Edinburgh is a near relative of the Emperor of Germany, who is also a member of the royal family, his father, the Duke of Cambridge, was a brother of the Queen, and therefore entitled to the title. The Queen should overrule the Duke's claim of imperialism by having himself made Empress and her children therefore Imperial—or that Her Majesty should seek the mediation of the Emperor of Germany to effect a settlement of the quarrel.

This may be so, but I do not think it.

Lowes speaking at Redford, says, "I do not know what the Duke could have done, but he violated no confidence, because he had received none; but he was under a conviction that at least two previous Ministers had entirely refused, though pressed to do so, to have anything to do with a change of the style of the Crown." He subsequently added that he viewed the measure with the most painful apprehension, which was only the opinion of one civilian, and might have been stated by the Minister of War to-day having had the courage to tell His Majesty he would not any more than his predecessors, lend himself to a course which he believed in his conscientious judgment to be injurious to his Crown and dignity.

Such language from the mouth of a man who was for five years Minister of the Crown, is the last confirmation of the Duke's claim of imperialism. The Duke's rights are well defined by statute, and are most judiciously guarded as the very acts of the constitution; every matter which may be submitted to Parliament on this subject is supposed to emanate from the Ministers, because there is no way of fixing the responsibility of the Sovereign, and therefore to say, as Mr. Lowe does, that the Queen would be the master of the situation, and independent of Parliament which the nation will certainly resent; especially when it is remembered how much difficulty—distrust, double dealing, and treachery Mr. Disraeli thought proper to resort to in passing the measure.

The position of the Bill is this. It passed through the House of Lords without a division, and was referred to a Committee of the whole House, and was taken to some length. Easter holiday that the Commons, and do not reassemble until Thursday, the 27th instant. It is intended that the Royal assent shall be given by Commission on that day to the Royal Titles Bill. The next step will be the Royal Proclamation declaring that Her Majesty assents, as an addition to the Royal title, and of course, to the Royal Assent, to the Bill. Will this proclamation be issued? It would be regarded as a high-handed and arbitrary act on the part of the responsible advisers of the Crown to issue this Proclamation before Mr. Fawcett's motion praying Her Majesty not to assume the title of Empress can be brought out. Mr. Disraeli must be silent and mysterious as to his intentions hereina.

There is no Godwin, and therefore Mr. Fawcett must bring his arguments to bear upon Mr. Disraeli to find a day before Easter, to meet him to find one for himself after the holidays. If Mr. Disraeli publishes the Proclamation before Mr. Fawcett has an opportunity of moving his resolution, the form must be changed into one of regret that Her Majesty has been thus advised, and must pray for the Royal Assent.

It is difficult to keep the Proclamation hung up until Mr. Fawcett can find an open day which will be unbecoming to the dignity of the Crown and the House of Commons, and the good sense of the House will demand that an end should speedily be put to the popular suspense. Upon the whole, therefore, it is probable that the Prime Minister will give a grace advice, and that the "wings" on both sides will be put in common severity. The First Minister knows quite well that Mr. Fawcett allows the Easter recess to come between his resolution and the debate in order that the growing sentiment against imperialism even in name may find expression in public meetings and petitions. Much will now depend upon an opportunity of meeting with this constitution, and the result, it is hoped, will be that Mr. Fawcett's bands will be strengthened, and that many Liberal members who have absented themselves from recent divisions will march under the flag of "Queen and Country." The impression, however, is that the Queen is determined to have her way in this matter. It will be very difficult after her victory to find a general reconciliation, and to bring about a coalition government on such a hopeless issue. The public opinion is so strong on the subject—that seeing the blundering and extravagance of the Government I fear at the next general election the conservative party will be extinguished, and will place the Queen in the hands of those who way insist upon reaction. It seems to me the most natural and foolish step conceivable to create an element of discord for a mere master of form.

THE POSITION OF POLITICAL PARTIES.—The numerical strength of parties has been very ably set forth in the *Spectator*. The number of members in the House of Commons is 649, three seats being vacant. Of these 550 are Conservatives, 242 Liberals, and 56 Home Rulers; therefore 26 Conservative seats have to be lost, even though the party hold together, which is doubtful; its majority would be gone. He cannot procure a seat for his Solicitor-General, and should the preceding elections for the vacant seats go against him, masters will begin to look serious.

(To be Continued.)

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE
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Barometer—1 m.s.r. 30.000
Thermometer—1 a.m. 70.000
Barometer—1 p.m. 70.000
Thermometer—1 P.M. 70.000
Thermometer—4 P.M. 70.000
Thermometer—Maxima 70.000
Thermometer—Minima (over night) 70.000

CHINA-OCEAN METEOROLOGICAL
REGISTERED.
YESTERDAY'S PELAGMERS,
MAY 31st.

HONGKONG. AMOT. SHANGHAI. NANKIN.
BAROMETER. 30.000 30.000 30.000 30.000
Direction of Wind. N. E. S. E. N. W. S. W.
Force. 6 6 5 5 5 5
Dry Thermometer. 70.00 70.00 70.00 70.00 70.00 70.00
Wet Thermometer. 70.00 70.00 70.00 70.00 70.00 70.00
Winds. N. E. S. E. N. W. S. W.
Hours Rain. — — — — — —
Quantity fallen. — — — — — —

Bathometer, level of sea is higher, feet and inches. —
Instruments in Fahrenheit degrees and cent. kept in the open air at usual stations.

Direction of Wind registered every two points, N., N.E., N.W., S., S.E., S.W., S.W. Force 6, 7 & 8.

Force of Wind—6 miles. 1600 feet. 5 to 6 miles.
7 to 7 fms. 8 to 9 fms. 10 to 12 fms.

State of Weather—Cloudy, C. Cloudy, D. Drizzling, F. Fog, G. Foggy, H. Haze, L. Lightning, M. Misty, O. Overcast, P. Partly cloudy, Q. Quiet, R. Rainy, S. Showery, T. Thunder, U. Wind, V. Windy, W. Windy, X. Calm. The letters are repeated to indicate an increase or decrease of their significance.

Rains.—The hours of rain for the previous 24 hours (when registered from 1 to 24), and the quantity of water fallen indicated in inches, feet and hundredths.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

OUTLINE OF THE MARKET, 31st May.

Sale of New Paper made to day at \$350. But at the close of \$372L and of Old at \$352L New and Old Bonds placed at \$370 and \$371.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—Bank Bills, on demand.....\$301
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight.....\$301
Bank Bills, at 6 months sight.....\$311
Documentary Bills, at 6 months sight.....\$311
ON BOMBAY.—Bank sight.....230L
ON CALCUTTA.—Bank sight.....230L
ON SHANGHAI.—
Bank sight.....74
Private, 30 days sight.....74
SHAKES.—
Hongkong and Shantung Bank Shares—per cent.
Premium buyers.....\$100
Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$650 per share
China Traders' Insurance Company's Shares—\$1075 per share
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's Shares—per cent. discount
Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Shares—10 per cent. discount
Shanghai Steam Navigation Company—The 69 per share
Hongkong Gas Company's Shares—\$75 per share
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No. 30, QUEEN'S ROAD, Next to Messrs. SAYLE & CO., Hongkong, 1876.

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DU MONT BELLO CARTE PLANCHE CHAMPAGNE.

Quarts.....\$15 per case (1 dozen).

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5% discount on 25 Cases.

BOTBON WHISKY.

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J. AND R. TENNENT'S ALE and J. PORTER'S DAVID CORSAIR & SONS' DAVID CORSAIR & SONS' COFFEE.

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HONGKONG, 23rd June, 1876.

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